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REMARKS

This is in response to the Official Action of December 16, 2008, which is a Final Rejection. Applicants appreciate the allowance of Claims 1-18 and have amended the application to restrict the application to the indicated allowable subject matter and to place the application in immediate condition for allowance. Entry of the amendment is in order and is most respectfully requested.

The rejection of claims 44-46 on the basis that the claims are unpatentable over US 4,268,359 to Rammler, et al. has been carefully considered. This rejection has been obviated by the cancellation of claims 44-46, without prejudice or disclaimer and in an effort to place the present application in condition for allowance. Applicants reserve all rights to pursuing this subject matter in a further application.

Applicants amend the title of this application to read "Method and Apparatus for the Production of Particulate Carbon Productions" to provide a more descriptive title as requested by the Examiner. Applicant also files a supplemental Application Data Sheet with this Amendment in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76.

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In view of the above comments and further amendments to the specification and claims, favorable reconsideration and allowance of all the claims now present in the application are most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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